

Attorney Docket No. 02/071K NUT  
Customer No. 38263

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK  
OFFICE PATENT OPERATIONS

In re: Susanne RATHJEN *et al.*

International Application No.: PCT/EP2003/012567

International Filing Date: November 11, 2003

For: USE OF SWEETENER ACIDS FOR THE MICROBIOLOGICAL STABILIZATION  
OF FOODSTUFFS, COSMETIC PRODUCTS, CONSUMER GOODS AND  
PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop PCT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-145

Charlotte, North Carolina  
May 6, 2005

Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to Rule 56 and Rule 97 *et seq.*, Applicant hereby submits the attached Forms  
PTO/SB/08A and the references listed thereon.

This submission does not represent that no better art exists and does not constitute an  
admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art."

Applicant respectfully requests that each reference be reviewed and made of record in the  
instant application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to  
our Deposit Account No. 50-2193.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cathy Moore*

Cathy R. Moore  
Reg. No. 45,764  
ProPat, L.L.C.  
425-C South Sharon Amity Road  
Charlotte, North Carolina 28211-2841  
Telephone (704) 365-4881

10/534205

PTO/SB/08A				Complete if Known	
Substitute for Form 1449A/PTO <b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT</b>				International PCT App. Number	PCT/EP2003/012567
				International Filing Date	November 11, 2003
				First Named Inventor	Susanne RATHJEN
				Group Art Unit	
				Examiner Name	
Sheet	1	Of	1	Attorney Docket Number	02/071K NUT

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials'	Cite No.	U. S. Patent Number	Kind Code	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	U.S. Class	Sub Class

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials'	Cite No.	Foreign Patent Document			Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Int. Class	Subclass	T6
		Office	Number	Kind Code					
		EP	0 155 634 = US 4,607,100	A2	Hoechst AG	09/25/1985	C07D	291/06	
Examiner Signature					Date Considered				